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HOUSE BILL NO. 160

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BY REPRESENTATIVE DANAHAY

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

COURTS/MAYORS: Authorizes the mayor to appoint an attorney to preside over the mayor's court in DeQuincy

AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 33:441.15, relative to the mayor's court for the city of DeQuincy; 3 to provide that the mayor may appoint one or more attorneys to preside as 4 magistrate; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters. 5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 6 Section 1. R.S. 33:441.15 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows: 7 §441.15. City of DeQuincy; appointment of court magistrate; duties; salary 8 The governing authority for mayor of the city of DeQuincy, upon request of 9 the mayor, shall appoint an attorney one or more attorneys who shall be designated 10 as court magistrate and who shall serve at the pleasure of the mayor and may from 11 time to time be designated by the mayor to serve in his stead as the presiding official 12 over the mayor's court. Whenever the a magistrate is so designated by the mayor to 13 preside over the mayor's court, he shall exercise the powers and authority of the 14 mayor over said court. The magistrate shall serve at a salary fixed and paid by the 15 governing authority of the city of DeQuincy for such time as the magistrate serves 16 in the mayor's stead. 17 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not 18 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature 19 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If

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- 1 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
- 2 effective on the day following such approval.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides that the mayor of the city of DeQuincy may appoint one or more attorneys to act as magistrate to serve in the mayor's stead as the presiding official over the mayor's court.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the governing authority of the city of DeQuincy may appoint an attorney, at the request of the mayor, to serve as the presiding officer of the mayor's court in the mayor's stead.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the mayor of the city of DeQuincy may appoint one or more attorneys to serve as the presiding officer of the mayor's court, in the mayor's stead.

(Amends R.S. 33:441.15)